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Shipping Coordinating Committee; Notice of Committee Meeting

The Shipping Coordinating Committee (SHC) will conduct an open meeting at

9:30 am on Wednesday, April 25, 2012, in Room 2501 of the United States Coast

Guard Headquarters Building, 2100 Second Street, SW, Washington, DC 20593-

7126. The primary purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the 90th Session of the

International Maritime Organization's (IMO) Marine Safety Committee to be held

at the IMO Headquarters, London, England, United Kingdom, May 16 - 25, 2012.

The primary matters to be considered include:

Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments

Measures to enhance maritime security

Goal-based new ship construction standards

LRIT-related matters

Flag State implementation

Radiocommunications and search and rescue

Ship design and equipment

Safety of navigation

Fire protection

Dangerous goods, solid cargoes and containers

Stability, load lines and fishing vessel safety

Bulk liquids and gases

Implementation of the STCW Convention

Technical assistance sub-programme in maritime safety and security

Capacity-building for the implementation of new measures

Role of the human element

Formal safety assessment

Piracy and armed robbery against ships

General cargo ship safety

Implementation of instruments and related matters

Relations with other organizations

Application of the Committee's Guidelines

Passenger ship safety

Members of the public may attend this meeting up to the seating capacity of the room. To facilitate the building security process, and to request reasonable accommodation, those who plan to attend should contact the meeting coordinator, LCDR Matthew Frazee, by e-mail at imo@uscg.mil, by phone at (202) 372-1376, or in writing at Commandant (CG-52), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 2nd Street, SW,

Stop 7126, Washington, DC 20593-7126 not later than April 18, 2012, 7 days prior to the meeting. Requests made after April 18, 2012 might not be able to be accommodated. Please note that due to security considerations, two valid, government issued photo identifications must be presented to gain entrance to the Headquarters building. The Headquarters building is accessible by taxi and privately owned conveyance (public transportation is not generally available). However, parking in the vicinity of the building is extremely limited. Additional information regarding this and other IMO SHC public meetings may be found at: www.uscg.mil/imo.

March 29, 2012
(Date)
Brian Robinson, Executive Secretary,
Shipping Coordinating Committee,
Department of State

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